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- 1 meetings held either near or in the corporate
- 2 offices or the meetings were held in Germantown.
- 3 Those are the only two places I remember meetings
- 4 being held. There was one meeting, I believe, in
- 5 the consultants' meetings we talked about earlier.
- 6 I think one of them was held at a restaurant.
- 7 Q. Do you know if the relationship between West
- 8 and Methodist was renewed?
- 9 A. I do not.
- 10 Q. You mentioned that Methodist wanted to
- 11 increase market share. Was that a concern to you?
- 12 A. Increasing market share is not a concern.
- 13 How you increase market share might be a concern for
- 14 me.
- 15 Q. Did you have concerns about how Methodist
- 16 wanted to increase market share?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What was that concern?
- 19 A. My concern was that they were trying to
- 20 incentivize the group to change their referral
- 21 patterns away from the hospitals the private group
- 22 had used for over 20 years to Methodist in exchange
- 23 for economic benefits.
- 24 Q. What were those economic benefits?
- 25 A. It was free rent, it was development of

- Q. And you mentioned development of facilities.
- 2 What facilities are those?
- 3 A. Well, the Germantown facility was developed.

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- 4 Services and key personnel, key doctors, very
- 5 qualified doctors, were moved from the most densely
- 6 populated part of the service area out to the what
- 7 you would call a much more sparsely populated area,
- 8 so they -- for the convenience of the doctors and
- 9 the development of new facilities.
- 10 Q. Did you consider the development of new
- 11 facilities to be improper?
- 12 A. I considered moving the services out to the
- 13 suburbs without -- was -- was peculiar to me because
- 14 you're moving from the most densely populated
- 15 population, where they didn't have a lot of access
- 16 to healthcare, to a more suburban location where
- 17 fewer people lived.
- 18 Q. Do you consider the development of facilities
- 19 to be a misuse of 340B savings?
- 20 A. I'm sorry. Can you ask me that again? The
- 21 development of facilities? Can you repeat the
- 22 question?
- 23 MR. CHENERY: Terri, could you read that
- 24 back, please.

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25 MR. VROON: Object to the form.

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- 1 facilities that they could use, it was my concern
- 2 whether or not the doctors -- the funneling of the
- 3 money was going to increase the doctors'
- 4 reimbursement or compensation.
- 5 Q. Do you know how the doctors were compensated?
- 6 A. From Methodist?
- 7 Q. Yes.
- 8 A. I do not.
- 9 Q. Do you know if their compensation increased
- 10 during the affiliation?
- 11 MR. VROON: Object to the form.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Comments were made that
- 13 their compensation did go up, but I do not have -- I
- 14 was not part of that development of whatever the
- 15 reimbursement was between the Methodist system and
- 16 the doctors.
- 17 BY MR. CHENERY:
- 18 Q. Which West doctors' compensation went up
- 19 during the affiliation?
- 20 A. I cannot tell you offhand who went up and who
- 21 went down.
- 22 Q. You mentioned the economic benefit of the
- 23 rent. Is that the rent we discussed earlier related
- 24 to the freestanding cancer center?
- 25 A. Yes.

THE WITNESS: Yeah, I think that

- 2 facilities should be developed corresponding to
- 3 where the patient needs are.
- 4 BY MR. CHENERY:
- 5 Q. You mentioned free access to certain services
- 6 at the cancer center. What services were those?
- 7 A. When we would -- we could never figure out
- 8 how certain employees were being supported or -- at
- 9 least when we were designing the new facility that
- 10 was going to be in Memphis at the university
- 11 hospital, we could never get our hands around was
- 12 every employee going to be charged back or not, who
- 13 was on what payroll. It was a very confusing
- 14 system. And it looked from afar that certain
- 15 services and employees were not necessarily being
- 16 accounted for appropriately.
- 17 Q. What do you mean, "accounted for
- 18 appropriately"?
- 19 A. Well, if there are employees that were on one
- 20 payroll and leased back to another, then there
- 21 should have been some sort of accounting or
- 22 mechanism for me to understand.
- 23 Q. What do you mean by one payroll or another?
- 24 A. Well, if -- sometimes there were employees
- 25 who sat on the West Clinic payroll but were paid by

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1 A. No.

2 Q. Did you ever hear anyone at Methodist talking
3 about these incidents after the January 2017 final
4 warning letter?

MR. VROON: Objection.
 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I'm not sure I
 understand the question. Talking to me?

8 BY MR. CHENERY:

9 Q. Did you ever hear about anyone talking about

10 the allegations that Ms. Holt raised?

11 MR. VROON: Object to the form.

THE WITNESS: I don't remember it,

13 hearing that.

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14 BY MR. CHENERY:

15 Q. So is it fair to say that Methodist, after

16 issuing the final warning letter, was discreet about

17 this investigation?

18 MR. VROON: Object to the form.

19 THE WITNESS: I would not know if they

20 were discreet or not.

21 BY MR. CHENERY:

22 Q. What was your reaction to receiving the final

23 warning letter?

24 A. Well, I anticipated getting a warning. I was

25 surprised at the content, but I had decided already

1 in termination, that by receiving that you were

2 being treated unfairly?

3 MR. VROON: Object to the form.

4 THE WITNESS: I don't remember what I

5 was thinking back then, but, again, I had agreed to

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6 sign the letter.

7 BY MR. CHENERY:

8 Q. And you signed the letter, even though you

9 believed all of the allegations in it were false?

10 A. Well, I don't remember specifically what was

11 in my head when I read the letter and signed it, but

12 I do remember that we had agreed upon that we were

13 going to have a written warning and that everything

14 would go back to the way it was.

MR. CHENERY: Okay. We can go off the

16 record here, take a break.

17 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the

18 record. The time is 11:03.

19 (Recess observed from 11:03 a.m. to

20 11:26 a.m.)

21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are on the record.

22 The time is 11:26.

23 BY MR. CHENERY:

24 Q. Mr. Liebman, how long after you received the

25 January 2017 final written warning did you file your

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1 that I was going to sign it, so I did.

2 Q. Did receiving the final warning letter and

3 its contents make you angry?

4 MR. VROON: Object to the form.

5 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Your

6 statement -- your question was did I get angry when

7 I got the letter?

8 BY MR. CHENERY:

9 Q. Yes.

10 A. I expected the letter to come because I had

11 been given advanced warning, so I wouldn't say

12 angry, I would say surprised by the content.

13 Q. Were you upset that Methodist issued a final

14 warning letter stating that you would be terminated

15 if another similar incident again arose?

16 A. No. I had agreed to sign the letter before I

17 received it.

MR. VROON: Taylor, we've been going

19 about two hours. Can we take a break whenever you

20 have a -- in a moment, please?

21 MR. CHENERY: Yeah, one -- one more

22 question.

23 BY MR. CHENERY:

24 Q. Did you think, in receiving the final warning

letter stating that the next incident would result

1 lawsuit against Methodist?

2 A. I don't recall exactly. It was months later.

3 Q. Do you recall that it was May 2017?

4 A. I'm sure there's a date on it, I just don't

5 remember the exact date.

6 MR. CHENERY: Paige, could you pull up

7 the exhibit that's already been marked 242?

8 (Whereupon, Exhibit 242 was presented.)

9 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: That has been shared,

10 Exhibit 242.

11 (Discussion off the record.)

12 BY MR. CHENERY:

13 Q. Mr. Liebman, do you see in the footer of that

14 document --

15 MR. VROON: Excuse me, Taylor, I'm

16 sorry. It's not downloaded quite yet.

17 MR. CHENERY: Sure.

18 Mr. Liebman, let me know when you have

19 it loaded.

20 And Bryan, I'm just going to ask a

21 question about the first page, which contains the

22 file date.

23 MR. VROON: Okay. I can see it now.

24 Jeff, can you see it?

25 THE WITNESS: Not yet. It's not quite

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Do you recall submitting your resignation --

- 2 let me back up. Do you remember to whom you
- 3 submitted your resignation?
- 4 A. I--

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- 5 MR. VROON: Object to the form.
- 6 Excuse me. Object to the form.
- 7 BY MR. CHENERY:
- 8 Q. Sorry, Mr. Liebman. If you answered I
- 9 couldn't --
- 10 A. Yeah, I told Michael Ugwueke I was going to
- 11 resign in a meeting with him.
- 12 Q. Did you participate in an executive committee
- 13 meeting on August 25, 2017?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Have you ever been terminated or asked to
- 16 resign from any employment position other than your
- 17 employment with Methodist?
- 18 MR. VROON: Object to the form.
- 19 THE WITNESS: I don't recall. I don't
- 20 recall being terminated or asked to resign. And I
- 21 don't recall being asked to resign from Methodist.
- 22 I resigned from Methodist because I had already --
- 23 well, two things. One, I had already arranged for
- 24 employment elsewhere, and I could tell from the
- 25 meeting with Michael Ugwueke, after his comments to

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 A. I was -- I wouldn't -- I was looking, but I
- 2 wasn't out there, like, really, really actively
- 3 looking, but I was looking around.
- 4 Q. In July 2017?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Was Methodist's affiliation with the West
- 7 Clinic still in place when you left Methodist in
- 8 August 2017?
- 9 A. I believe it was.
- 10 Q. Do you have any personal knowledge about the
- 11 circumstances of unwinding that affiliation?
- 12 A. I do not.
- 13 Q. Mr. Liebman, do you recall that before the
- 14 first portion of your deposition was suspended in
- 15 September, we had begun to discuss a committee
- 16 called the Cancer Council, or Cancer Center
- 17 Executive Council?
- 18 A. I recall there was a committee that was
- 19 called that, yeah.
- 20 MR. CHENERY: Paige, could you please
- 21 share Tab 5.
- 22 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Five has been shared
- 23 and that would be Exhibit 266.
- 24 MR. CHENERY: Thank you.
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- 1 me, that we couldn't work together anymore.
- 2 BY MR. CHENERY:
- 3 Q. I'll try and ask my question in a clearer
- 4 way.
- 5 I'm not asking about your employment with
- 6 Methodist. Other employment positions; have you
- 7 ever been terminated or asked to resign from other
- 8 positions?
- 9 A. I'm trying to think back. I think in --
- 10 early in my career I was asked to resign when I was
- 11 at Washington Hospital Center 20-something years
- 12 **ago**.
- 13 Q. Why were you asked to resign there?
- 14 A. There was a restructuring. My original boss
- 15 left, a new boss came in.
- 16 Q. Any other reasons other than the
- 17 restructuring?
- 18 A. Not that I remember, no.
- 19 Q. When did you line up other employment while
- 20 you were employed at Methodist?
- 21 A. I was recruited in July to MetroWest.
- 22 Q. Who recruited you?
- 23 A. The chairman of the board.
- 24 Q. Were you seeking other employment at that
- 25 point?

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- 1 (Whereupon, Exhibit 266 was marked.)
- 2 THE WITNESS: (Reviewing.) Okay.
- 3 BY MR. CHENERY:
- 4 Q. Do you see at the top of the first page of
- 5 this document, Cancer Center Executive Council
- 6 Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2015?
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 Q. And do you see your name listed in the column
- 9 of non-council members present?
- 10 **A.** I do.
- 11 Q. My questions relate -- if you see the numbers
- 12 that are stamped in the bottom right-hand corner of
- 13 each page, this will be I believe the sixth page of
- 14 document. The number in the bottom right-hand
- 15 corner, MLH 021702?
- 16 A. I'm sorry, **021**...
- 17 Q. 702.
- 18 A. I'm just looking for it. Hang on. Yes, I
- 19 see that page.
- 20 Q. Do you see around the middle or just below
- 21 the middle of the page there's a bullet point, "OR
- 22 Room turnaround times"?
- 23 A. I see that.
- 24 Q. Then it has your name, J. Liebman, listed
- 25 next to that?